

TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

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Re: Petition of Gasco Distribution Systems, Inc. (Gasco) for Approval of Debt Issuance

Docket #00-00171

Dear Mr. Lentz,

The Authority staff has reviewed this petition, in which Gasco proposes entry into a credit facility agreement with KeyBank, N.A.. Based on Tennessee Attorney General Opinion No. 99-119, and because Gasco is a public utility with multi-state operations or certificates of authority, Authority approval of the proposed transaction is not required.

Thank you for informing the Authority of this matter. Please address any further questions to Rosie Gregory at (615) 741-2904 ext. 156.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "K. David Waddell", is written over a horizontal line.

K. David Waddell
Executive Secretary

c: Richard Collier
Chris Klein
Mike Horne
Gina Parker
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